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FOR HODDING CARTER FROM TOM RESTON

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SUBJECT: PRESS MATERIAL (SECRETARY'S VISIT TO MIDDLE
EAST

1. GWERTZMAN FRONT PAGE NEW YORK TIMES OF SATURDAY
AUGUST 5, LEADING WITH "SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS R. VANCE
SAID TODAY THAT THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE EFFORT WAS AT A
'CRITICAL POINT' AND THAT HE WAS FLYING TO ISRAEL AND
EGYPT TO URGE NEW ENDEAVORS TO OVERCOME THE LATE IMPASSE."

GWERTZMAN STORY CONTAINS NO ODD SPINS ON VANCE TRIP, AND
QUOTED MAINLY FROM SEC VANCE'S PUBLIC TESTIMONY BEFORE
HIRCE FRIDAY MORNING.

2. WASHINGTON POST RAN AP INSIDE SATURDAY MORNING AND
LEADS WITH CYRUS R. VANCE IS HEADING TOWARD THE MIDDLE
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EAST POSSIBLY WITH SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO GET EGYPT/ISRAEL
TALKS GOING AGAIN, BUT WITHOUT AN AMERICAN PLAN FORPEACE
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES." BALANCE OF ARTICLE IS RE-
HASH OF PREVIOUS PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY VANCE OR HIS
SPOKESMAN.

3. AP DATELINED LAGES AIR BASE, AZORES, LEADS WITH

"SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS R. VANCE WAS BOUND FOR THE

MIDDLE EAST TODAY TO TRY TO HEAD OFF A COMPLETE BREAKDOWN
IN PEACE INITIATIVES BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT.

"UNLESS VANCE SUCCEEDS IN GETTING NEGOTIATIONS GOING
AGAIN, HIS FIVE-DAY MISSION COULD LEAD TO NEW STEPS BY
PRESIDENT CARTER TO MEDIATE THE DISPUTE."

4. AP FURTHER SPECULATES "HE WILL REPORT TO CARTER ON
HIS RETURN. THE OPTIONS OPEN TO THE ADMINISTRATION THEN
MIGHT INCLUDE:

--PUTTING FORWARD A U.S. PEACE PLAN.

--SHIFTING THE NEGOTIATIONS TO GENEVA AND INCLUDING
ALL ARAB PARTIES AND THE SOVIET UNION.

--TRYING TO SET UP A SUMMIT MEETING BETWEEN ISRAELI
PRIME MINISTER MENACHEM BEGIN AND EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT
ANWAR SADAT."

5. BALTSUN CURTAIN-RAISER BY GILBERT A. LEWTHWAITE
LEADS WITH "CYRUS R. VANCE, THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
BEFORE DEPARTING FOR THE MIDDLE EAST LAST NIGHT, TOLD
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS THAT COMPROMISE WAS STILL POSSIBLE
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BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT AND SAID THE UNITED STATES
WAS WILLING TO OFFER ITS OWN PROPOSALS "TO BRIDGE THE
GAPS:'

"STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SAID MR. VANCE WAS NOT
TAKING ANY SPECIFIC PEACE PLAN WITH HIM TO JERUSALEM
AND ALEXANDRIA, AND THAT ANY U.S. INITIATIVES WOULD
PROBABLY BE TAKEN ONLY AFTER HIS RETURN TO WASHINGTON
NEXT WEDNESDAY."

6. BALANCE OF STORY QUOTES VANCE BEFORE HIRC AND
PORTIONS OF LETTER TO VANCE FROM 13 SENATORS ON SAUDI
ROLE. CHRISTOPHER

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